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New For The 2004 Desert Season:

Off-Road Tours of Anza-Borrego Desert State Park

ANZA-BORREGO DESERT STATE PARK – New for the 2004 season at Southern California's La Casa del Zorro Desert Resort are tours of the Anza-Borrego Desert State Park. These off-road, four-wheel-drive, eco-tourism outings are sanctioned by the Anza-Borrego Desert State Park and were designed by the park's former staff naturalist, Paul Johnson, a noted author and photographer. Per person tour prices are \$75 for half-day and \$150 for full-day. All tours have a four-person minimum, start and end at the resort, and full-day tours include lunch. The vehicles are new, four-wheel-drive Ford Excursions.

Located 90 miles northeast of downtown San Diego, La Casa del Zorro is surrounded by the internationally acclaimed Anza-Borrego Desert State Park, which the Los Angeles Times calls the "real desert." The Anza-Borrego Desert State Park is the largest state park in the contiguous United States, with more than 600,000 acres of spectacular canyons, badlands, sand dunes, mountains and even streams.

"These tours provide the perfect introduction to the desert," said Anza-Borrego Desert State Park Superintendent, Mark Jorgensen. "The variety of the tours will appeal even to longtime park visitors." The tours offer diversity of experiences in the most beautiful and interesting locations of the park, as well as sites of geological and historical significance.

For more information, contact La Casa del Zorro Desert Resort, 3845 Yaqui Pass Road, Borrego Springs, CA 92004; phone (800) 824-1884; and on-line at: www.lacasadelzorro.com. Other, related websites include: www.statepark.org (Anza-Borrego Desert State Park) and www.theabf.org (The Anza-Borrego Foundation).